

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (original): A packaging container for a microwave oven hermetically sealed by heat-sealing with a plastic film, the packaging container comprising a vapor release seal part having a weakened part,

characterized in that the vapor release seal part is provided with a mark developing means with which exfoliation opening of the vapor release seal part can be recognized by a difference between surface and back packaging materials constituting the vapor release seal part, and

characterized in that the mark developing means is constituted by providing a vapor release seal part of one plastic film constituting the packaging container with a printing layer having a printed pattern having parts void of pigment and by providing a vapor release seal part of the other plastic film constituting the packaging container with a printing layer having a printed pattern having pigment parts corresponding to the parts void of pigment of the one plastic film and void of pigment outside of said pigment parts.

2-5. (canceled).

6. (previously presented): A packaging container for a microwave oven according to claim 1, characterized in that the vapor release seal part is formed continuously along a peripheral edge seal part of the packing container.

7. (previously presented): A packaging container for a microwave oven according to claim 1, characterized in that the vapor release seal part is formed separately from the peripheral edge seal part of the packing container.

8. (previously presented): A packaging container for a microwave oven according to claim 1, characterized in that the vapor release seal part is provided with a through-hole, a semi through-hole, or a slit to thereby form a weakened part.

9. (previously presented): A packaging container for a microwave oven according to claim 1, characterized in that a cutout is formed in the packing container inwardly into the container and a periphery edge of the cutout is heat-sealed to thereby form the vapor release seal part having a weakened part.

10. (previously presented): A packaging container for a microwave oven according to claim 1, characterized in that a pouring port forming means is arranged such that the pouring port forming means bisects the vapor release seal part.

11. (previously presented): A packaging container for a microwave oven according to claim 1, characterized in that the packaging container comprises a packaging pouch hermetically sealed by heat-sealing with a plastic film.

12. (original): A packaging container for a microwave oven according to claim 11, characterized in that the packaging pouch comprises a standing pouch.

13. (previously presented): A packaging container for a microwave oven according to claim 11, characterized in that the packaging pouch comprises a packaging pouch having a branched section.

14. (previously presented): A packaging container for a microwave oven according to claim 1, characterized in that the packaging container is hermetically sealed by heat-sealing of a container main body having a flange part with a lid composed of a plastic film.

15. (previously presented): A packaging container for a microwave oven according to claim 14, characterized in that the vapor release seal part is formed by causing a heat-seal part between the flange part of the packaging container and the lid to project toward an inside of the container.